BEFORE THE MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE OIN THE MATTER OF THE PHYSICIAN'S LICENSE

OF

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN SANFORD, M.D.

SURRENDER OF MEDICAL LICENSE

WHEREAS, BENJAMIN FRANKLIN SANFORD, M.D., hereinafter referred to as "Licensee," is the current holder of License Number 08043 issued on August 8, 1977, to practice medicine in the State of Mississippi;

WHEREAS, on October 14, 2020, Licensee entered into a guilty plea agreement issued by the United States District Court for the Northern District of Mississippi, wherein Licensee agreed to waive Indictment and plead guilty to Count One of an Information charging Licensee with the receipt in interstate commerce of misbranded drugs that Licensee delivered or proffered for delivery with the intent to defraud or mislead, all in violation of Title 21, Untied States Code, § 331(c) and which carries the maximum penalty of three (3) years imprisonment, a \$250,000.00 fine, one (1) year supervised release and a special assessment of \$100.00;

WHEREAS, the aforementioned guilty plea constitutes conviction of a felony involving moral turpitude and unprofessional conduct, including any dishonorable or unethical conduct likely to deceive, defraud, or harm the public, in violation of Miss. Code Ann., §§73-25-29 (6) and (8)(d).

NOW THEREFORE, in order to resolve this matter now pending before the Board, Licensee agrees to voluntarily surrender his License (No. 08043) to practice medicine in the State of Mississippi and understands said Surrender shall be effective

immediately upon execution. Licensee understands this is an unconditional surrender, is reportable to the National Practitioner Data Bank and other entities, such as the Federation of State Medical Boards, and is a public record of the State of Mississippi.

Recognizing his right to notice of charges specified against him, to have such charges adjudicated pursuant to <u>Miss. Code Ann.</u>, § 73-25-27 (1972), to be represented therein by legal counsel of his choice, and to a final decision rendered upon written findings of fact and conclusions of law, **Benjamin Franklin Sanford**, **M.D.**, nevertheless, hereby waives his right to notice and a formal adjudication of charges and authorizes the Board to execute this Order, thereby accepting Licensee's Surrender of Medical License to practice medicine in the State of Mississippi.

EXECUTED AND EFFECTIVE, this the _______ day of Executive, 2021.

Benjamin Franklin Sanford, M.D.

ACCEPTED AND APPROVED, this the _______ day of _______, 2021, by the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure.

Kenneth E. Cleveland, M.D.

Executive Director

Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure

APPROVED:

Joseph M. Hollomon, Esq. Counsel for Licensee

Stan T. Ingram, Esq. Board Complaint Counsel

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